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Registration open for 2022 State of **Our Communities**

this pandemic.

The fifth annual State of Our Communities event will be Thursday, Feb. 17, at the Honeywell Center. This year's event will begin with breakfast in Legacy Hall starting at 7:30 a.m. followed by presentations starting shortly after 8 a.m. Registration for sponsorships and tickets are now open for the 2022 State of Our Communities event by visiting www.growwabash county.com/SOC2022, by emailing marketing@grow wabashcounty.com or 260-563-5258.

Manchester Values, Ideas and the Arts series continues

Presentations are Mondays 11 a.m. Cordier Auditorium on

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Electronic voting machine bill passes Senate committee

Clerk: State has purchased VVPAT machines for Wabash County, but have yet to be used

By ROB BURGESS Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

A bill concerning elec-

tronic voting machines, among other issues, passed vote of 66-28. the Indiana Senate elections

House Bill 1116 originally passed the Indiana House of Representatives on Monday, Jan. 31 along a party-line

Statehouse including Rep. Election Day. Sheila Klinker, D-Lafayretired Hoosiers to vote by mail."

The bill requires absentee penalty of perjury that they would not be able to vote opposite direction." The bill has been opposed in-person during the 28-day

ette, who said it "increases servants of the public, we the hurdles for working and should be doing everything in our power to increase voter participation and make it easier to access the ballot voters to confirm under the box," Klinker said. "HB 1116 moves our state in the

Klinker said the "only step committee on Monday, Feb. by Democrats at the Indiana early voting period, or on forward in the bill" is re-

quiring counties which use "As elected officials and electronic voting machines to set up a verifiable paper trail by July 1, 2024.

"The addition of verifiable paper trails for electronic voting machines is a positive step," Klinker said. "However, it is unfortunate that this important step will

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New WPD officer sworn in



Mayor Scott Long, left, administers the oath to WPD Probationary Officer Griffen Miller during Monday's Wabash City Council meeting.

Probationary Officer Griffen Miller will begin patrol duties with another officer

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The newest member of the Wabash Police Department (WPD) was officially sworn in at Monday's regular Wabash City Council meeting.

WPD public information officer Capt. Matt A. Benson said Probationary Officer Griffen Miller graduated School in Indianapolis in

Marion University in 2021 with a major in sports per-

North Manchester.

criminal justice.

Benson said Miller has already completed the state-recourse and will begin patrol duties with another officer.

"As with all new officers, from Cardinal Ritter High Officer Miller will be re-Miller graduated from within his first year," said pre-basic course to obtain

Last month, another pro-L. Monroe, was officially Miller currently resides in sworn in as WPD first-class quired 40-hour pre-basic at WPD headquarters. He in at the Jan. 11, 2021, Wabash City Council meeting. When he first joined the quired to attend the Indiana force, Monroe also had to Law Enforcement Academy complete his initial 40-hour email at rburgess@wabashplain

Indiana arrest powers within two weeks and was reformance and a minor in bationary officer, Gareth quired to attend the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy during his first year. On Jan. patrolman. Monroe first 10, Benson said Monroe took the oath from Mayor has completed hundreds of Scott Long on Jan. 1, 2021, hours of training and has successfully graduated from was later officially sworn the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy class 21-

> Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by

Kiwanis Pancake Day returns for 2022

Local service organization's largest fundraiser of the year set for Saturday, March 12

By ROB BURGESS Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Pancake Day is the largest fundraiser of the year for the local service organization, the Wabash Kiwanis Club.

And next month, the annual event will return once

Pancake Day will take place from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at the Wabash County Fairgrounds at the Bruce Ingraham Building, 660 Gillen Ave., said Wabash High School (WHS) principal and Wabash Kiwanis Club Board vice president Joshua Blossom, who will oversee the event this year.

Tickets will be \$8 at the door and \$7 in advance for those 13 years and older and \$5 at the door and \$4 in advance for children ages 6 to 12 years. Admission for the event will be free for children 5 years old and young-

Pancakes, with or without blueberries, will be available, along with sausages and drinks.

Blossom said the event allows the Wabash Kiwanis Club to continue its many service projects in the area, including support of Key Clubs at Wabash and Northfield high schools,

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'My Name is NOT Mom' finds the humor in motherhood

Comedy performance set for Friday at the Honeywell Center

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor A trio of "internet sensa-

tions" are headed to Wabash to help find the humor in being a mom.

through motherhood with is a mom, has a mom or fills Tiffany Jenkins, Meredith the role of mom to someone, Masony and Dena Blizzard, said Honeywell Arts & Entertainment public relations

toddler years, middle school org. craziness, and trying not to physically attack a high "My Name is NOT Mom" schooler. Every single one of

is a "hilarious journey" the audience members either somewhere at some time,'

said DeVinney. Most seats are \$25, \$39, but specialist Michele DeVinney. there is limited premium seat-The comic trio shares their ing available for \$65. To purtake on mothering through chase tickets call 260-563the sleepless nights of the 1102 or visit Honeywellarts.

Jenkins has over 7 million

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Manchester professor to speak about volunteering at a prison for juveniles

Stacy Erickson-Pesetski leads a summer Shakespeare class at Logansport Juvenile Correctional Facility



By ANNE GREGORY

A Manchester University faculty member who leads a summer Shakespeare class at Logansport Juvenile Correctional Facility will share her reflections at a presentation on Monday, Feb. 21.

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NMHS and Shepherd's **Center sponsoring Smokey Mountain Redneck Tour**

The North Manchester Historical Society (NMHS) and the Shepherd's Center will be traveling Monday, May 16 to Thursday, May 16 to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee for five live shows, an afternoon at Dollywood, free time at The Island, three dinners including Applewood Restaurant and Five Oaks Farm Kitchen during their Smokey Mountain Redneck Tour, according to a press release.

Three nights first-class lodging including breakfasts.

The cost of the four-day trip is \$825 per person double occupancy and \$995 as a single and includes luxury coach, tours, snacks, luggage handling and any tips and

Reservations are due by Thursday, March 10.

For more information, con-

Box 361, North Manchester, IN 46962; by email at bernievicki@gmail.com or

by phone at 260 982-8734.

IN BRIEF

Wabash City Hall closed for part of Thursday

The following departments at Wabash City Hall will be closed until 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, so their staff may attend the "State of Our Communities" event at the Honeywell Center: Mayor's Office, Clerk-Treasurer Office and the Building Department, according to a press release. All departments will reopen starting at 10 a.m.

Hoosier Lottery could need legislative OK for online games

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) Indiana lawmakers are looking to block the Hoosier Lottery from starting online games or ticket sales without their permission.

State lottery officials have tact tour coordinator Bernie been discussing since 2019 Ferringer by mail at P.O. the possibility of joining

other states in selling lottery tickets and offering other games online.

The Indiana Senate's tax committee on Tuesday added provisions to a bill that would require the Legislature's approval before the state lottery commission could begin online games or ticket sales.

The move comes after reports of Hoosier Lottery staff meeting with legislative leaders to update them on possible contract changes with the company that oversees the lottery's sales and marketing operations.

House Speaker Todd Huston told The (Fort Wayne) Journal Gazette it appeared the lottery had the legal authority to move forward with online games under current law without legislative approval.

But Scot Imus, executive director of the Indiana Food and Fuel Association, said that lottery law was written in 1989 before cellphones existed and legislators couldn't have understood it would be used to justify a full online lottery.



Provided photo

"My Name is NOT Mom" is a "hilarious journey" through motherhood with Tiffany Jenkins, Meredith Masony and Dena Blizzard.

COMEDY

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followers across all platforms and counting. She is a wife, mother, best-selling author, content creator and recovering addict.

Masony is a wife to one, mother to three and is the "emotional support person" to two dogs. She has over 4 million followers across social media platforms "as a result of her unfiltered and somewhat chaotic parenting journey."

"It has been a lot of fun. It's difficult when we have to postpone things or move things around, but once we get in there and we get things going everybody has a great time," Masony said of the live shows, during a recent video interview with the trio.

Blizzard is a comedian, mother of three and creator of "One Funny Mother," an off-Broadway show and media company "dedicated to celebrating wine, women and laughing 'til your face hurts." She is also a viral video star widely known for her "Back to School Rant" and "Chardonnay Go," which is now a board game for "Wine Lovers, Moms and Other Shameless People.

Jenkins said she started making content one because she "felt very alone in the beginning of motherhood."

"Every time I looked online everything looked perfect and that made me feel like I was failing and so I was desperate to connect with people who didn't have it all together. And that's where I met these two," said Jenkins.

Masony said motherhood

professions "even though you're surrounded by tons of people."

"That feeling can get amplified when you're just trying to survive parenting these kids and then you throw a pandemic on top of it and there's no rules and nobody knows what the hell is going on," said Masony. "It was to feel less alone and I think a lot of times we speak to things on our platforms other people when they hear it they feel validated and that's what we want to feel as well. We want to feel validated as well so we air our dirty laundry on the internet."

Jenkins said the three each have children who are different ages, which gives each of them a unique perspective.

"I think no matter what stage of motherhood you're in somebody somewhere is going to relate to something that we have to share in the show," said Jenkins.

Mason said she knew each of the other two separately before they began collaborating.

"It literally just dawned on me during the pandemic when we were talking," said Masony. "I was like, 'Oh, my gosh. We each have kids at different stages. What if we got together and figured out how to create a show that literally touched on the journey that is motherhood. From the littles to the middles to the grown and flown?"

Since they began touring last year, they played two dozen shows in 2021, with even

more planned for 2022. Blizzard said that even

though she was already a

can be one of the loneliest comedy partners were "naturals" to the stage.

"I don't think it matters if you come to this from standup and kind of in clubs or doing it on video. The two of them are really funny and we had come together and we always kind of say it's a hybrid show. It's a stand-up show and it has improv in it and stories. We really try to take the best of what the three of us do in terms of the ages that we're at and how we each deal with our kids," said Blizzard. "I think in the show it looks like three stand-ups."

Blizzard said she saw an interesting mix in the audience for their show.

"We see a lot of moms coming with their daughters which I thought was really lovely. A lot of wives come with their husbands. I think they drag them to show, but I think they secretly love it because it's funny. But I do think that there's a really important message about motherhood. And knowing that you're supported and no matter where you are on this journey from the littles to the bigs that there's some humor in it and I think that that's the part that does bring the three of us together is we all kind of put our crazy into the universe," said Blizzard. "I think everybody is doing their best to kind of get through it at this point. And being able to be in the room with the people that you might spend every day with is pretty special and I think that that's the thing that we really appreciate is the opportunity to come and to see them."

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Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday Mostly Cloudy Showers Likely Mostly Sunny Sunny Sunny 56 / 47 57 / 19 31 / 24 37 / 26 49 / 37 Sun and Moon **Detailed Local Outlook** Today we will see mostly cloudy skies, high of 56°, humidity of 69%. South wind 17 to 24 mph. Expect Today's sunset 6:20 p.m. . 7:32 a.m. Tomorrow's sunrise cloudy skies tonight with a 100% chance of showers, overnight low of 47°. South wind 15 to 18 mph.

5-Day Weather Summary

VOTING

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not occur until the 2024 general election. Due to Indiana ranking 41st for voter turnout in the last general election, we need to look to help Hoosiers vote rather than making it more difficult."

Last

paper trail attached to voting machines in the state, members of both parties seem to agree.

"Every Hoosier deserves accurately and securely tary of State Holli Sulli-"This bill will ensure every voting machine includes a paper audit trail, allowing voters to independently verify their vote was correctly recorded. This visual evidence gives Hoosiers confidence by seeing paper confirmation of their vote." Sullivan said the Vot-

Trail machines (VVPATs) "increase voter confidence and improve the state's ability to conduct post-election audits and recounts."

Also on Monday, Feb. 14, Wabash County Clerk Lori a paper trail, we can insti-Draper said they already

"have a few machines that counties." the state purchased."

First

sometime," said Draper.

During her visit to Wabash in December, Sullivan said that while this introduced during the pandemic for general use, it was "encouraging that you On this point of having a have voters already asking for that."

> Sullivan said that when this was rolled out it would be "a voter confidence tool."

"Implementing that next ties through 2028. to know that their vote was year through your local ofyour Microvote (direct-reverify your vote and have the opportunity to change anything right then and there if it's not printed the way that you felt was capwith a local poll worker and then cast your vote, (and) watch it, as a confidence issue, be counted," said Sullivan. "The second part of that is since we have tute more audits in more

Thursday, skies will be cloudy with a 100% chance of

showers, high of 57°, humidity of 91%.

Sullivan said they had al-'We have not used them ready done five post-elecyet. We will use them tion audits during the general election in 2020 and eight in 2020 primary elections.

"But having equipment was not yet VVPATs in each of our counties now allows us to do more in the future," said Sullivan.

Sullivan said HB 1116 will also provide cybersecurity protection for the statewide voter registration system and Indiana coun-

"The bill will also infice will then give us two crease security around abcast," said Indiana Secre- new aspects. One is the sentee ballots by requiring voter confidence that when Indiana voters to submit van on Monday, Feb. 14. you push the buttons on their driver's license number or the last four digits of cording electronic) voting their social security nummachine, you will then ber when submitting an onhave the paper printout to line request for an absentee ballot," said Sullivan.

Indiana offered the option to request an absentee ballot digitally for the first time in 2020. In the 2020 turing your vote. (You will) General Election, Indiana er-Verified Paper Audit be able to update it on-site saw an unprecedented number of absentee ballot applications. Nearly 250,000 of those applications were submitted electronically.

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PANCAKES

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support of K-Kids clubs at O.J. Neighbours and Sharp Creek elementary schools, renovating local park playgrounds, continuing the Club's fifth grade book program, supplying the Kate's Kart book cart at Parkview Wabash Hospital and more.

youth- and community-focused initiatives like Riley Eagles Theatre renovation, FAME Festival, the Honeywell Foundation's Visual and Performing Arts (VPA) and Arts in Education programs, the Wabash County Scholarship Pageant, Founder's Day, Wabash Area Community Theater, the Wabash High School volleyball team's Kills for a

Cure fundraiser and more.

tion of the Wabash Kiwanis Club's Pancake Day was to COVID-19 concerns. Despite this cancellation, raise \$6,050 in sponsorship 260-571-1892. funding from local organizations.

June 2021, we're excited to resume this awesome Hospital for Children, the fundraiser to March where it traditionally takes place," said Blossom. "It's because of this event that we're able to continue to make a difference in our community. We hope to see as many individuals from the community support this event by showing up and enjoysome freshly-made ing pancakes and other refresh-

ments, which will in turn Originally scheduled for uplift the children and fam-March 2020, the 2020 edi- ilies of our community and beyond."

Sponsorship opportunirescheduled twice and was ties for businesses for Panultimately canceled due cake Day are available by contacting Donna Siders by email at donnasiders@ the club was still able to hotmail.com or by phone at

"Business sponsorships are such a huge part of "After needing to can- how this fundraiser is a Blossom said the Wabash cel this event in 2020 and success," said Siders. "We Kiwanis Club also supports then having to delay it until hope that our community businesses will consider supporting this event with their sponsorship. Financial gifts of any size are also welcome."

Sponsors would receive complimentary tickets to the event and on-site recognition in exchange for their support for only \$150.

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SPEAKER

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Stacy Erickson-Pesetski will talk about why those juveniles say, "I Never Give Up." She will speak at 11 a.m. in Cordier Auditorium on the North Manchester campus.

The presentation is free and open to the public. It

www.facebook.com/ManchesterUniv.

Erickson-Pesetski's reflecand drawings from incarcerated youths.

A professor of English and associate dean of academic affairs, the Fort Wayne resident joined Manchester in 2007.

Her reflections are pre-

will also be live-streamed at sented as part of Manchester's Values, Ideas and the Arts series, designed to offer credit to undergraduate tions will include comments students who, through the process, gain cultural exposure, artistic experiences and intellectual enrichment.

> Anne Gregory is the assistant director of media relations in the Office of Strategic Communications at Manchester University.



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Obituaries

Companies revert to more normal operations as COVID wanes

By ANNE D'INNOCENZIO

AP Retail Writer

NEW YORK — For the operations.' first time in two years for many people, the American into something that resembles pre-pandemic days.

requirements for its vaccinated workers in some facil-– the nation's No. 1 and 2 respectively - will no longer require fully vaccinated 28. workers to don masks in that had allowed employees to work fully remote after a series of fits and starts.

Microsoft, based in Redmond, Washington, on surge in September. And workplace is transforming Monday announced plans to nearly 65 percent of Ameriopen its West Coast buildings on Feb. 28 with a hy-Tysons Foods said Tues- brid mix of working in the better place than we were sas, received notice that she day it was ending mask office and home. Facebook parent Meta Platforms, which had planned to bring ities. Walmart and Amazon workers back to the office health practice of consulting ple times since the pandemon Jan. 31, will now require firm Willis Towers Watson. ic began. largest private employers them to return – with proof of a booster shot – on March

stores or warehouses unless from just weeks ago when to be the old normal. It will it's also a little strange berequired under local or state the omicron variant of laws. Tech companies like COVID-19 was peaking, Microsoft and Facebook prompting companies to still be required to wear there's a little bit of anxiety double-down on mask re- masks in the office and get about it." quirements and enforce dai- regularly tested. Front-line plans for remote workers.

"There has been a sharp COVID-19 infections and just to maskless colleagues surged. decline in COVID-19 cases hospitalizations plummet. and customers - whether across the country over the Cases have plunged from they like it or not. past weeks," Amazon told 455,000 a day two weeks with increasing vaccination COVID-19 hospitalizations ic routines: dealing with said.

rates across the country, this have fallen 45 percent from rush-hour commuter traffic, turn to the path to normal are now at levels similar to again and working alonging out of the delta variant time in two years. cans are fully vaccinated.

> "We are somewhat better be somewhat different. "

is a positive sign we can re- the peak one month ago and putting on dressier clothes when the country was com- side co-workers for the first

Megan Chichester, 48-year-old graphic artist who works at a packaging "I think we are in a much company in De Soto, Kansix months ago, or a year will have to return to the ago," said Jeff Levin- office in April. She has only Scherz, an executive in the stopped in the office a cou-

"I'm excited to see people protected than we were at in person because I have any point in the past. But missed them," she said. That's a stark reversal the new normal isn't going "But then on the other side, cause I'm so used to not Many office workers will being around people that

Adding to the anxiety is are now setting mandatory ly health screenings while workers like store clerks the fact that she has seen dates to return to the office delaying return-to-office and restaurant staff who return-to-office dates scutwere already physically go- tled repeatedly over the past The U.S. has since seen ing to work will have to ad-couple years when cases

"It's kind of like you're getting whiplash because Then there are the old re- you don't know what month workers in a memo. "Along ago to 150,000 on Monday. alities of their pre-pandem- you're really returning," she

Frances Evelyn Parrett

April 4, 1935 - Feb. 10, 2022

Evelyn Parrett, 86, of Wabash, Indiana, died at 10:55 pm, Thursday, Feb. 10, 2022, at her granddaugh-

ter's home in North Manchester, Indiana. She Hunt, Elijah Hunt, Mason was born on April 4, 1935, in Hot Springs, Arkansas, to W.D. and Clara (Lunceford) Gibson.

Frances

School in Hot Springs, Arkansas. She married Carl Edward Parrett at the ers, and two sisters. Southside E.U.B. Church in worked at Hooks Drug Store staff-Hentgen in Wabash, retiring after many, and was known for home. her southern hospitality and sense of humor.

She is survived by her son, Bradford Scott Parrett of for Frances may be signed Jessica (Michael) Duhamell com.

of North Manchester. and Jeremy Scott Parrett of Wabash, eight great grandchildren, Jadin Parrett, Kaidyn Hobbs, Paris Crull, Isaiah

Mast, Jase Duhamell, and Jordan Parrett, great great grandson Val Harty, and several nieces and neph-Frances was a 1953 gradews in Arkansas. She was uate of Lakeside High also preceded in death by her parents, granddaughter, Jennifer Parrett, nine broth-

Funeral services Wabash on Nov. 6, 1954; he be 10:30 am, Thursday, died Dec. 1, 2005. Frances Feb. 17, 2022, at Grand-Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester 16 years, and also worked Avenue, Wabash, with Pas-8 years at Gackenheimer tor Tim Prater officiating. Pharmacy. She enjoyed gar- Burial will be in Memorial dening, loved her pets and Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. adored her grandchildren. Friends may call 5-8 pm Frances was a caregiver to Wednesday, at the funeral

> Preferred memorial is Blessings in a Backpack.

The memorial guest book Wabash, two grandchildren, at www.grandstaff-hentgen.

Christina Rosita Graf

Oct. 24, 1956 - Feb. 11, 2022

65, of rural Akron, Indiana place at a later date. passed unexpectedly at 9:14 pm, Friday, Feb. 11, 2022 can be made in her memat Woodlawn Hospital of ory to the Fulton County Rochester, Indiana.

Following her wishes, Share a Memory or send an no services will be held at Online Condolence at: www. this time. A memorial cele- hartzlerfuneralservices.com

Christina Rosita Graf, bration of her life will take

Memorial contributions Animal Adoption And Edu-Christina was born on Oct. cation Center or to the Na-24, 1956 in Wabash, Indiana tional MS Society P.O. Box to the late J.B. and Winifred #91891 Washington, D.C. 20090.

Diana Faye Backus

North Webster, Indiana follow at Falls Cemetery. passed away on Feb. 11, 2022.

Funeral service will be held home. at 1 p.m. on Feb. 17, 2022, at McDonald Funeral Home, be sent to the family at www. 231 Falls Avenue, Wabash, mcdonaldfunerals.com

Diana Faye Backus of Indiana 46992. Burial will

Visitation will be 11-1 p.m. on Thursday at the funeral Online condolences may

Kernie Arnett

Family and friends may call 1:00 p.m. with calling begin-Friday, Feb. 18, 2022 from ning at 12:00 noon at the Gos-2:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Gos- pel Hill Pentecostal Church pel Hill Pentecostal Church of God. Pastor Justin Harshof God, 303 South Jefferson man will officiate. Burial will Street, Silver Lake, Indiana. be at Oaklawn Cemetery, 600 Funeral services will be held Beckley Street, North Man-

Saturday, Feb. 19, 2022 at chester, Indiana.

Birthday matters for high court nominees By JESSICA GRESKO is clearly significant for the that age window, but there's that she was starting her

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Help wanted: Well-respected liberal jurist. Black. Female. better, but not so young 45, while South Carolina Seniors need not apply.

President Joe Biden's search for a nominee to the – and for any president – is he said. that for a lifetime appointprized.

the longer liberals can ex- ton at 55, is retiring at 83. pect to hold a seat on the court now dominated 6-3 by conservatives.

While a nominee's experi-

may well be his only chance youngest and oldest. to nominate a justice.

record," said C. Boyden Childs is 55. In between is describing age as a "serious Gray, White House counsel Supreme Court isn't just to former President George appeals court Judge Ketanji limited by credentials, race H.W. Bush. And the age isand gender. The reality for sue extends to nominating the nation's oldest president federal judges at all levels,

Age may be most signifiment on the nation's highest cant at the Supreme Court. court, youth is particularly It is often said that a president's picks are among his tial nominees & more likely a nominee who "believes in It's simple math. The most lasting legacies, with to die sooner." The group the Constitution of the Unityounger Biden's nominee, recent justices serving 25 the longer she is likely to years or more. Retiring Jus- 18-year term limits, which body who will be able to serve as a justice. The lon-tice Stephen Breyer, nomi-would make age less a fac-serve for a while." ger she serves as a justice, nated by President Bill Clintor.

Balancing age and experience, recent presidents have burg was nominated at 60 year, Thomas marked 30 picked nominees in their late and served until her death in 40s and 50s, with 60 generence and academic and work ally seen as the very upper credentials may be most im- end of the range. All three of was too old for the job," portant in the selection, how Biden's most talked-about Ginsburg said in 2019 at an the court in 1812 and served long the person can serve potential nominees are in event with Clinton. Noting for more than 30 years.

"Younger is considered Justice Leondra Kruger is age, it was unnecessary." Washington, D.C., federal issue.' Brown Jackson, 51.

transparency group Fix the 1991, when Justice Thurlicans are pushing Childs his retirement at 82, for the seat "in part because then-President George H.W. she's the oldest of the poten- Bush said he would look for then voiced support for ed States" and also "some-

2020 at 87.

79-year-old Biden in what also a decade between the 27th year on the court, she told the former president: California Supreme Court "If you worried about my "I did worry about it," the

that you don't have a track federal Judge J. Michelle Democrat acknowledged,

The concern about a nominee's potential longevity On Tuesday the court cuts across party lines. In Court tweeted that Repub- good Marshall announced

He chose Clarence Thom-Breyer's fellow Clinton as, then 43. No nominee nominee Ruth Bader Gins- since has been younger. Last years on the bench. The Supreme Court's youngest-ev-"Some people thought I er nominee was 32-year-old Joseph Story, who joined

U.S. could see a century's worth of sea rise in just 30 years

By SETH BORENSTEIN AP Science Writer

see sea levels rise in the ter to the worlds oceans. next 30 years by as much Eastern cities hit regularly with costly floods even on report warns.

against the U.S. shore will Texas projected to see waters a foot and a half higher, according to a 111-page report issued Tuesday by the National Oceanic and train coming from more Atmospheric Administrathan a mile away," Dutagencies.

Nicole LeBoeuf, director of NOAA's National Ocean Service. The projected increase is

especially alarming given that in the 20th centucoast rose at the fastest clip in 2,000 years.

cost will be high, pointing out that much of the American economy and 40 per- age, Sweet said. along the coast.

cent of the population are sheets in Antarctica and Petersburg, Florida, while

the report's lead author.

and the melting ice sheets hit the coast, they are be-America's coastline will and glaciers adds more wa- coming a problem even on

The report "is the equiv-20th century, with major red flag up" about accelerating the rise in sea levels, said University of Wisconget taken to a whole new level in just a couple of de-

tion and six other federal ton said in an email. "The question is whether we "Make no mistake: Sea continue to let houses slide level rise is upon us," said into the ocean."

because of sinking land, currents and water from ry, seas along the Atlantic than the global average. And the greatest rise in the U.S. will be on the Gulf LeBoeuf warned that the and East Coasts, while the will be hit less than aver-

now and 2060, expect al-However, the worst of most 25 inches of sea level Greenland probably won't only 9 inches in Seattle and kick in until after 2100, 14 inches in Los Angeles,

much more damage when Warmer water expands, storms such as hurricanes

sunny days. Cities such as Miami as they did in the entire alent of NOAA sending a Beach, Florida; Annapolis, Maryland; and Norfolk, Virginia, already get a few minor "nuisance" floods a sunny days, a government sin-Madison geoscientist year during high tides, but Andrea Dutton, a specialist those will be replaced by By 2050, seas lapping in sea level rise who wasn't several "moderate" floods part of the federal report. a year by mid-century, be 10 to 12 inches higher, The coastal flooding the ones that cause property with parts of Louisiana and U.S. is seeing now "will damage, the researchers

> "It's going to be areas that haven't been flooding "We can see this freight that are starting to flood," Sweet said in an interview. "Many of our major metropolitan areas on the East Coast are going to be increasingly at risk.

The western Gulf of Mex-Sea level rises more in ico coast, should get hit the some places than others most with the highest sea level rise – 16 to 18 inches – by 2050, the report said. ice melt. The U.S. will get And that means more than slightly more sea level rise 10 moderate property-damaging sunny-day floods and one "major" high tide flood event a year.

The eastern Gulf of Mex-West Coast and Hawaii ico should expect 14 to 16 inches of sea level rise by 2050 and three moderate For example, between sunny-day floods a year. By mid-century, the Southeast coast should get a foot to the long-term sea level rise in Galveston, Texas, 14 inches of sea level rise from the melting of ice and just under 2 feet in St. and four sunny-day moderate floods a year, while the Northeast coast should get 10 inches to a foot of sea level rise and six moderate While higher seas cause sunny-day floods a year.

Pressure mounts on Congress to curb lawmaker stock trading

By BRIAN SLODYSKO

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Amid a steady drip of damaging headlines, pressure is building for Congress to pass legislation that would curtail lawmakers' ability to speculate on the stock market.

Trading in Congress has long been criticized by govsay the access to nonpublic information creates a temptation for lawmakers to prioritize their own finances over the public good. But public anger has

mounted since the first tremors of the pandemic, when some lawmakers were caught buying and selling millions of dollars worth of stock after being warned about the coming disruption from the virus. The pandemic's arrival tanked markets and caught many Americans by surprise.

Now, with November elections fast approaching and members of both parties embracing reform, congressional leaders are getting on the bandwagon, expressing their willingness to toughen the rules. After a spate of controversies over suspiciously timed trades and undisclosed transactions, few lawmakers are defending the status quo, raising hopes that a significant ethics package is within reach.

"This isn't going to solve all of America's problems. But it's a substantive reform that three-fourths of the said last week. "What we're stock portfolios.

country supports," said Sen. trying to build is consen-Jon Ossoff, who is sponsoring a bill that would require lawmakers and their spouses to sell off stocks or place such assets in a blind trust. The Georgia Democrat beat Republican Sen. David Perdue last year in a race that turned largely on Perdue's pandemic-era stock trading.

There's reason for skeptiernment watchdogs, who cism. Past efforts to tighten ethics rules have fallen short of lawmakers' lofty declarations. And in the end, the task of writing ethics rules governing Congress is left to the lawmakers themselves, creating a conflict selling stock. That hasn't that often results in easily evaded restrictions.

> But progress is apparent. A raft of bills have been introduced, some by lawmakers at opposite ends of the ideological spectrum. Senators are working on a compromise. And House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, whose husband is a prolific trader, is on board with the legislative push, though she has advocated a more targeted approach.

Pelosi supports strengthening an existing law, the Stock Act, which requires ly did not solve the actual lawmakers to disclose their stock sales and purchases. She has also called for extending stock trading disclosure requirements to zen. He said the earlier laws members of the judiciary,

who flout the rules. "It's complicated," Pelosi come under fire for their

Her stance has evolved since December, when Pelosi reacted to a question about lawmaker trades by saying there is a "free market" that members of Congress "should be able to participate in."

Past ethics reforms demonstrate the challenge ahead.

The Stock Act was signed into law in 2012. At the time, lawmakers and government watchdogs predicted that public disclosure would shame lawmakers out of actively buying and happened. A decade later, trading continues apace and no one has been prosecuted under the law.

The same could be said for reforms enacted in the wake of the Jack Abramoff lobbying scandal. A 2007 law that was intended to force more disclosure of lobbying activity instead created a new class of "shadow lobbyists" who work to influence public policy but don't have to register as a lobbyist or disclose their activities. "Both those bills certain-

problems themselves," said Craig Holman, a registered lobbyist for the good government group Public Citiwere important, but added while stiffening penalties that "there is room for imfor members of Congress provement."

Several lawmakers have said ocean service ocean- the report said. ographer William Sweet,

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the North Manchester campus unless otherwise noted. All except the "Spaces" concert are free and open to the public. Masks and social distancing are required. Other presentations will also be live-streamed on the Manchester Facebook page. Check the schedule at www.manchester.edu/academics/VIA for updates. Feb. 21 – "I Never Give Up": Reflections on Volunteering at a Juvenile Prison" by faculty member Stacy Erickson-Pesetski. Feb. 28 - "Meant for So Much More" is the topic of President Dave McFadden's Spring Convocation. March 7 – "Race and Racism, Historical and Current Experiences." March 14 – "PeaceTech: Engineering to Change the World" by Zia Haque. April 4 – "Manchester and the United Nations: The Legacv of Andrew Cordier" by Manchester seniors Christopher Carroll and Omar Gadzhiev. April 11 - In "CommuniKate: Artalive," Kate Billingsley offers a comic performance. April 18 – Alicia Smith presents "Environmental Justice & Community Democracy - BIPOC & Beyond." April 25 – Mary Miller, CEO and owner of JAN-COA Janitorial Services, will speak in "Dream Big." May 2 – "Trailblazers: Honoring Manchester's First Black Students" is the keynote address on the day Manchester is naming the Academic Center in honor of siblings Martha and Joseph Cunningham. May 9 – Manchester seniors will talk about their senior honors theses. May 15 at 3 p.m. in Cordier – Violist Derek Reeves performs the world premiere of "Spaces," a concerto composed for him by Professor Debra Lynn, director of choral or-

Manchester hosts Polar Plunge to aid Special **Olympics Indiana**

ies at Manchester.

Manchester University invites area groups and individuals to take part in the Polar Plunge, a fundrais- feature 'living ing event to help support history' Special Olympics Indiana. Freezin' for a Reason be-10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 19 near the new ticket booth at the Spartan Stadium on Manchester's North Manchester campus. The big splash begins at noon. Each person needs to raise a minimum of \$85 to plunge. Team members can sign up as participants, which means they jump in the water, or "virtual plungers," who raise money but do not get wet. Register online as an in-person or virtual participant at https:// secure.e2rm.com/p2p/ location/367864. Plungers must be at least 12 years old by the day of the event to enter the water. Those younger than 18 must have a signature from a parent or guardian. For more information, email KNGower@ manchester.edu. Organizers advise wearing old gym shoes you don't mind getting wet. Participants should bring a pair of dry shoes, a towel or robe and a change of clothes. Some plungers wear costumes over bathing suits.

Wabash **County esports** 'SuperSmash in the **Bash' tournament** announced

An esports tournament for Wabash county high school students has been announced. Any high school student can register and play even without a coach. The "Super Smash Bros. Ultimate" "SuperSmash in the Bash" Invitational has been planned for 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 19 at Wabash High School. Free registration is open to any Wabash County student. Registration runs until the start time. There will be The round starts and brack- the tour, the Trolley will et will be final by 9 a.m. at travel to Salamonie State either a 2022 graduate of

will be best of three. The winner's finals, losers' finals and grand finals will be the best of five. There will be a "for fun" "Mario Kart" tournament starting at 10 a.m. for those who are eliminated. There will be a \$100 prize pool, including Amazon gift cards. It will be a double-elimination tournament, with a \$50 prize for first place, and \$25 prizes for second and third places. The first 50 players to register will receive a free personal pan pizza coupon at the event, with additional large pizza prizes for the winners. It is strongly recommended that 7171. you bring your controller. You may bring your Switch for free play. To register for the upcoming tournament, visit https://tinyurl. com/3z5hn5a3. For more information, email burnsj@ apaches.k12.in.us.

Miami County **Junior Achievement** announces new fundraising event

Junior Achievement serving Miami County has announced their first-ever euchre championship on Feb. 19 at the Peru Moose Lodge 110 N. Broadway, Peru. The organization is looking for event sponsors, table sponsors and teams to enter into the game. Event sponsors are \$300 and include four teams of two players each. Table sponsors are \$100, teams of two are \$50 and a single registration is \$25. Junior Achievement serving Miami County provides classes in Peru Community Schools, North Miami Schools and Maconaquah Schools reaching approximately 725 students. To register, visit https:// secure.qgiv.com/for/mcgo/ or send an order form and check to Junior Achievement serving Miami County, P.O. Box 1344, Peru, ganizations and vocal stud- IN 46970. For more information, email Courtney Ozminkowski at Courtney. Ozminkowski@FFBT.com or call Miller at 574-551-4698 or email Beth.Miller @ja.org.

Annual Paradise Spring Historical Park event to

Paradise Spring Historigins with registration from cal Park Board will hold its on sale now annual Paradise Spring Inc. Annual Meeting and Soup Supper Carry-In at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23 at the Wabash County Museum's multi-purpose room, 36 E. Market St. Attendees should enter the east door by the east parking lot. The meal is free but reservations must be made by Friday, Feb. 18. The event is open to the public. However, space is limited. Donations will be accepted to help maintain the cabins at Paradise Spring. Following the meal, a historical program will be provided by retired teacher Jim Needler. For more information, call 260-571-2879.

Second Harvest to hold tailgate food distributions

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned tailgate food distributions for 11 a.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 23 and March 23 at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 Indiana 15; and noon Wednesday, March 9 at Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester. For more information, visit www.curehunger.org, classy.org/campaign/hunger -action-month/c299182 or https://www.givepulse.com/ group/203410.

Eagle watching Trolley No. 85 Tour on sale

Visit Wabash County has announced tickets for the Eagle Watching Trolley No. 85 Tour are now on sale. The tour will take place Saturday, Feb. 26, is \$30 per person and will begin at the Visit Wabash County rules meeting at 8:45 a.m. Welcome Center. During

challonge.com. The rounds Park where Teresa Rody, WHS or a student who My Way PreK programs. gum, persimmon, tulip Upper Wabash Interpretive Center, will lead the group around the property. Coffee from a locally owned business, Sweet Brews, and specialty treats from Bailey's Pizza Parlor located in Roann will be served along the tour. This tour is recommended for anyone 6 years old and up and is very walkable. Binoculars and cameras are welcomed is due upon registration. To purchase tickets, visit www. visitwabashcounty.com/ trolley-tours, visit 221 S. Miami St. or call 260- 563-

Salamonie Forest Preschool underway

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Forest Preschool through May for one Tuesday a month or two Tuesdays a month from 9 a.m. to noon at Salamonie Interpretive Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews, in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area. Classes for the once-a-month option will be held Tuesdays, March 1, April 12 and May 3. Classes for the second meeting time each month will also be held Tuesdays, March 15, April 26 and May 17. Advance registration is required. Register by calling 260-468-2127. For more information, visit dnr.IN. gov/uwis or facebook.com/ upperwabash.

Salamonie 'Tweens Among the Trees' Forest School underway

Children ages 6 to 13 are invited to Salamonie Forest School at 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. The class will be offered one Wednesday a month from 9 a.m. to noon at Salamonie Interpretive Center in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, Andrews. Classes will be held on Wednesdays, March 2 and April 20. Advance registration is required. Limited space is available. Register by calling 260-468-2127. For more information, visit dnr.IN.gov/uwis or face book.com/upperwabash.

Wabash First Friday micro-event in March are

Downtown Wabash First Fridays are set to return in 2022. Tickets are on sale now for a micro-event in March. March's First Friday will offer a brand new micro-event: Downtown Wabash Leprechaun-Con Bar Crawl with green beers, lucky cocktails and more. Bar-crawlers will start at the downtown Wabash office at 5 p.m. Friday, March 4, with their Leprechaun-Con T-shirt, a green key lime beer from 2Toms Brewing Co. and a bar crawl map. The Leprechaun-Con Bar Crawl tee, complimentary beer and bar crawl map are \$30 per person. To pre-order your T-shirt, visit WabashMarkeptlace.org/ store/p49/bar-crawl.

Nature's Remedy to celebrate new downtown North **Manchester location**

Grow Wabash County has announced that Nature's Remedy will be hosting a grand re-opening at their new location, 121 E. Main St., North Manchester. The community is invited to attend a ribbon-cutting at the new location at noon Friday, March 4 to celebrate the occasion.

WHS graduates encouraged to apply for the Lucille Camp scholarship

Wabash High School (WHS) has announced that they are preparing to award scholarship funds that have been endowed by the Lucille Camp Scholarship Foundation. To be eligible to receive funds from the Lucille Camp Scholarship Trust, applicants must be

in the last three years, in Students must have not day, and follow the regular previously received grants from the trust for more than three academic years. Eligible students may not tact Southwood Elemenbe related by blood or marriage, within a third degree of consanguinity, to an officer, director, employee or agent of the trustee, which is GBC Bank, who is acand encouraged. Payment tively involved in the administration of the trust or or by email at moorej@ms 1400 Cass St. the management of its as- dwc.k12.in.us. sets. Applications are available in the Guidance Office St. Trolley's Day at WHS or on the Wabash City Schools (WCS) website at https://www.apaches. k12.in.us/ under High School-Scholarships. Completed applications are due to the WHS Guidance Office by Friday, March 4. For more information, call 260-563-4131.

Grow Wabash County's annual Salute to Ag Dinner will be Wednesday, March 9

The 2022 Salute to Ag Dinner will take place at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 9 at the Heartland REMC building, 350 Wedcor Ave. Tickets are \$25 each and sponsorship opportunities are available ranging from \$100 up to \$2,500. Register by visiting www.growwabashcounty. com/ag2022, by emailing it VisitWabashCounty.com/ marketing@growwabash trolley-tours. county.com or by calling 260-563-5258.

Metro North and Southwood to hold kindergarten round-ups

Kindergarten round-ups have been announced for Southwood and Metro North elementary schools and MSD is ready to welcome the Class of 2035. Children who will be at least 5 years of age on or before Aug. 1, are eligible to participate in kindergarten for the 2022-2023 school year. This year's MSD kindergarten round-ups will take place on Wednesday, March 9 at Southwood Elementary School, 840 E. Indiana 124, and Thursday, March Network (UWIN) is hold-10 at Metro North Elementary School, 3844 W. 200 cluding red maples, sweet- file formats. North. Families are "highly encouraged" to register for the kindergarten roundup no later than Monday, March 7. To accommodate social distancing, families will be assigned an arrival time based on their availability. Guests should be limited to only one or two adult guardians with the child. Guardians should bring a copy of the child's official birth certificate and vaccination records with them. For younger students, it's also time to begin enrollment for the 2022-2023 Little Norse and Little Knights Preschool programs. Children who will be either ages 3 or 4 by Aug. 1 are eligible to enroll. Preschool tuition is around \$17 per day, but financial assistance is also available for qualifying families through the CCDF and On

from Monday through Fri-MSD school year calendar. For more information, visit www.msdwc.org or con-Boone by phone at 260-563-8050 or by email boonepr@msdwc.k12.in.us; or Metro North Elementary Principal Janette Moore by phone at 260-563-8050

Tour on sale

Visit Wabash County has announced the return of the are on sale online or in-pera 6 or 7 p.m. time slot for a "fun-filled tour" on Fri-Day Trolley Tour will kick Welcome Center in downtown Wabash. Guests will head to The Waldo for dinner, drinks and mini-golf. The fun continues at a mystery stop to keep the party going. End the night with a libations and Irish snacks from Moon Dog Catering. For more information, vis-

Manchester Symphony Orchestra presents Trailblazers

phony Orchestra under Conductor Debra Lynn continues its 83rd season with Trailblazers at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 13, at the Honeywell Center. It celebrates African-American composer Florence Price dren scheduled per session. and her Symphony No. 1 in E minor. The concert will also feature high school and college winners of the children at all times. For orchestra's concerto competition. Masks and social 563-3511. distancing are required.

UWIN holding native tree sale

ing a second tree sale, in-

Interpretive Manager of the graduated from WHS with- Students will attend classes (Indiana State tree), redbud, pawpaw, snowberry, either 2019, 2020 or 2021. day for either a half or full red osier dogwood, spicebush and more. Prices depend on the chosen size and range from \$15 to \$90. To place an order, visit https:// lafontainelions.com/shop tary School Principal Phil or email trody@dnr.in.gov. The order and payment deadline is Tuesday, March 15. Orders will be available for pick up from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 30 at Brandt's Harley Davidson,

DivorceCare meets Tuesdays

DivorceCare, a 13-week DVD series sponsored by Wabash Friends Counsel-"fan-favorite" St. Trolley's ing Center, features some Day Trolley Tour. Tickets of the nation's foremost Christian experts on topics son at 221 S. Miami St. concerning divorce and re-Ticket buyers will have the covery, according to group option of choosing between leader Janet Quillen. The support group meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday day, March 11 or Saturday, in the Conference Room in March 12. The St. Trolley's the Wabash Friends Counseling Center, 3563 South off the evening with an Irish State Road 13. Wearing a toast before leaving the mask is required when entering. Quillen and members of the group meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Subway, 1812 S. Wabash St., on State Road 15. For more information, call 260-563-8453, 877-350-1658. email hysterical game of Toss the office@wabashfriends.org, Leprechaun while enjoying call 260-571-5235 or visit www.divorcecare.org.

Wabash County Animal Shelter partnership to pair emerging readers with dogs, cats

The local Literacy for The Manchester Sym- Companionship program will be held on the third Thursday of each month at the Wabash County Animal Shelter, 810 Manchester Ave. The time will be split into 30-minute shifts from 4 to 6 p.m., with four chil-There is no cost for the program and the parents or guardians will be with the more information, call 260-

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Tt makes no sense to accu-**⊥**mulate, if one day we will die."

Pope Francis said this to a crowd in front of the Vatican the other day. He wasn't trying to be depressing; he was trying

to inspire us.

Kathryn



Storage spaces are somewhat ubiquitous in modern-day America. Save for Christmas decorations, the odds are we don't need most of what's in them. And yet we cling, like we cling to a false sense of

security about our health and wealth and a new normal.

It's that clinging – and the utter fear of suffering and death - that makes physician-assisted suicide possible. "Medical aid in dying" is the new language used by advocates of a culture of death, one recently endorsed by conservative columnist George Will. To make choosing when to end one's life a mainstream issue is a poisonous direction to go in, especially for a country that has already had legal abortion for a half-century. The vulnerable unborn and sick and elderly are merely to be cast aside when inconvenient? That is what laws allowing abortion and assisted suicide are saying, whatever euphemisms of choice are utilized to pretend that we aren't talking about killing human beings.

No one wants to suffer unexpected pain. None of us wants to watch someone else in agony. And yet just as medicine advancements mean longer life spans, the field of palliative care is a tremendous mercy for patients who are suffering from horrible diseases. To oppose assisted suicide is not to be masochistic. It is to recognize that life is not a human creation - there's more to the picture than all that we can see.

Those who work with the elderly, like the religious order the Little Sisters of the Poor, testify to the mercy that is often found around a deathbed. There are reconciliations. There are moments of grace – expressions of love that no one could have ever imagined or scripted.

Accumulate "charity and the ability to share," Pope Francis urged, "the ability not to remain

indifferent when faced with the needs of others." He asked: "What is the point of arguing with a brother or with a sister, with a friend, with a relative, or with a brother or sister in faith, if then one day we will die? What is the point in being angry, in getting angry with others?" He added: "Before death, many issues are put into perspective. It is good to die reconciled, without grudges and without regrets! I would like to say one truth: We are all on our way towards that door, all

of us." How does that fact, one strenuously avoided by our current culture, change the way we conduct our days? Would we spend so much time on social media, engaging in the worst sort of interactions?

Rather than shake us into right order, the pandemic seems to have exacerbated some of our worst tendencies. The things we say about people who are not vaccinated! They are not all conspiracy theorists. Some are doctors. The things we say about people we don't agree with politically! These are our fellow human beings living in the world today, and those of us who believe in God are going to have to answer for our time here and what we said and did.

And, as Pope Francis points out, there will not be a moving van behind the hearse that carries our body away. As many a wise person has pointed out, the measure of our lives is how we love. That involves sacrifice and empathy. That's why assisted suicide is so wrong. It's the opposite of love, however we try to delude ourselves. It opens the door to not only more suicide, but more violent disregard for the human person in the very place where we count on it being protected – the doctor's office, the hospital bed.

Do no harm. Love, already – from the beginning to the end. We'll all be better for it.

And give things away – it's a good practice for giving our lives away in love. The generosity might just catch on.

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Why millions on Medicaid are at risk of losing coverage in the months ahead

By RACHANA PRADHAN Kaiser Health News (TNS)

The Biden administration and state officials are bracing for a great unwinding: millions of people losing their Medicaid benefits when the pandemic health emergency ends. Some might sign up for different insurance. Many others are bound to get lost in the tran-

State Medicaid agencies for months have been preparing for the end of a federal mandate that anyone enrolled in Medicaid cannot lose coverage during the pandemic.

Before the public health crisis, states regularly reviewed whether people still qualified for the safety-net program, age or disability status. While those routines have been suspended for the than 500,000 people, with 30 percent of ally upend a family," said Jessie Manpast two years, enrollment climbed to record highs. As of July, 76.7 million people, or nearly 1 in 4 Americans, were enrolled, according to the Centers ing based on income. for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

When the public health emergency ends, state Medicaid officials face a huge job of reevaluating each person's whose jobs, income, and housing might have been upended in the pandemic. People could lose their coverage if they earn too much or don't provide the intheir income or residency.

adults who are not disabled. However, income limits vary by state and eligibility group. For example, in 2021 a single adult without children in Virginia, a state that expanded Medicaid under less than \$1,482 a month to qualify. In Texas, which has not expanded its program, adults without children don't qualify for Medicaid.

State Medicaid agencies often send the best of times letters go unreturned state and local offices are short-staffed.

The Biden administration is giving states a year to go through the process, but officials say financial pressures will push them to go faster. Congress gave states billions of dollars to support the coverage requirement. But the money will dry up soon after the end of the public emergency - and much faster than officials can review the eligibility of millions of people, state Medicaid

In Colorado, officials expect they'll need to review the eligibility of more



based on their income or perhaps their Millions face losing Medicaid benefits when the pandemic health emergency ends.

them at risk of losing benefits because they haven't responded to requests for information and 40 percent not qualify-

In Medicaid, "typically, there's always been some amount of folks who lose coverage for administrative reasons for some period of time," said eligibility and connecting with people Daniel Tsai, director of the CMS Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services. We want to do everything possible to minimize that."

In January the eligibility of roughformation their state needs to verify ly 120,000 people in Utah, including 60,000 children, was in question, ac-Medicaid provides coverage to a vast cording to Jeff Nelson, who oversees population, including seniors, the dis- eligibility at the Utah Department of abled, pregnant women, children, and Health. He said that 80 percent to 90 percent of those people were at risk because of incomplete renewals. "More often than not, it's those that just simply have not returned information to us," he said. "Whether they didn't receive the Affordable Care Act, had to earn a renewal or they've moved, we don't know what those reasons are."

Arizona Medicaid director Jami Snyder said 500,000 people are at risk of losing Medicaid for the same reasons. She said that processing all the eligibilrenewal documents by mail, and in ity redeterminations takes at least nine months and that the end of the federor end up at the wrong address. As this al funding bump will add pressure to tsunami of work approaches, many move faster. However, she said, "we're not going to compromise people's access to care for that reason.

> Still, officials and groups who work with people living in poverty worry that many low-income adults and children – typically at higher risk for health problems – will fall through the cracks and become uninsured.

Most might qualify for insurance through government programs, the ACA insurance marketplaces, or their employers – but the transition into other coverage isn't automatic.

"Even short-term disruptions can re-

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dle, deputy director of Voices for Utah Children, an advocacy group. 'More marginalized people'

Low-income people could still be in crisis when the public health emergency ends, said Stephanie Burdick, a Medicaid enrollee in Utah who advocates on behalf of patients with traumatic brain

In general, being uninsured can limit access to medical care. COVID-19 vaccination rates among Medicaid enrollees are lower than those of the general population in multiple states. That puts them at higher risk for severe disease if they get infected and for exorbitant medical bills if they lose their insur-

'They're more marginalized people," Burdick said. She said she worries "that they're going to fall off and that they're going to be more excluded from the health care system in general and just be less likely to get care."

Burdick knows this firsthand as someone who experienced traumatic brain injury. Before COVID-19, she would periodically lose her Medicaid benefits because of byzantine rules requiring her to requalify every month. The gaps in coverage kept her from seeing certain specialists and obtaining necessary medicines. "I really do remember being at the pharmacy not being able to afford my medication and just sobbing because I didn't know what to do about it," she said. "It was horrible."

(KHN senior Colorado correspondent Markian Hawryluk and Midwest correspondent Bram Sable-Smith contributed to this report. KHN (Kaiser Health News) is a national newsroom that produces in-depth journalism about health issues. Together with Policy Analysis and Polling, KHN is one of the three major operating programs at KFF (Kaiser Family Foundation). KFF is an endowed nonprofit organization providing information on health issues to the nation.)



















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Applications may be picked up at the Grant County Sheriff's Administrative Office or at www.grantcounty.net. for Merit Deputies. Correctional officers please go to WorkOne

Both positions come with full benefit packages. Starting salary for correctional officers is 18.12/hr. and Merit Deputies

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Office 765-662-9836

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1 BR 616 S Boots St; \$100/wk

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RENT tenant pays electric

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL REDUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of City of Wabash, Wabash County, Indiana that the proper legal officer of City Council at their regular meeting place at Wabash, at 6 o'clock P.M., on 28th day of Febru-

Will consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the Budget for the current year. To fund the Local Trax match.

Amount

Fund Name: Rainy Day: Budget Classification – Other Capital Outlay TOTAL for Rainy Day: \$ 467.277.00 \$ 467,277.00

Taxpayers appearing at the meeting shall have a right to be heard. This is a tax rated fund and will not increase the Tax Rate. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF). The DLGF will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a

Certified Copy of the action taken.

Dated 2-15-22 Wendy Frazier, IAMC, CMC_ Clerk-Treasurer HSPAXLP.02/16/2022

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STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF WABASH) SS: IN THE WABASH CIRCUIT COURT CAUSE NUMBER: 85C01-2201-JC-000003 85C01-2201-JC-000004 IN THE MATTER OF: LC - DOB 1/8/2014 LPC - DOB 3/27/2020 CHILDREN ALLEGED TO BE CHILDREN IN NEED OF SERVICES
ANY UNKNOWN ALLEGED FATHERS
SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION & NOTICE OF CHILDREN IN NEED OF SERVICES HEARING TO: Any Unknown Alleged Father Whereabouts unknown

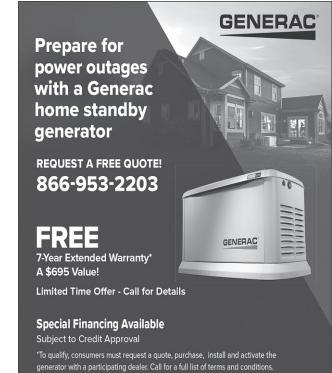
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to Any Unknown Alleged Fathers, whose whereabouts are unknown, that the Indiana Department of Child Services has filed its Verified Petition Alleging the children to be in Need of Services, in accordance with I.C. 31-34-9-3, and that an adjudication hearing has been scheduled with the Court. YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Judge of the Wabash Circuit Court, 49 West Hill Street, Wabash, IN 46992 260-563-0661 for a(n) Fact Finding Hearing on 3/23/2022 at 9:00 AM. At said hearing, the Court will consider the Petition and evidence thereon and will render its decision as to whether the above named minor children are children in need of services and shall enter adjudication accordingly. Your failure to appear after lawful notice will be deemed as your default and waiver to be present at said hearing. UPON ENTRY OF SAID ADJUDICATION, A DISPOSITIONAL HEARING will be held in which the Court will consider (1) Alternatives for the care, treatment, or rehabilitation for the children; (2) The necessity, nature, and extent of your participation in the program of care, treatment, or rehabilitation for the children; and (3) Your financial responsibility for any services provided for the parent, guardian or custodian of the children including child support. YOU MUST RESPOND by appearing in person or by an attorney within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice, and in the event you fail to do so, an adjudication on said petition, judgment by default may be entered against you, or the court may proceed in your absence, without further notice.

/s/ Lori Draper (SEAL) Clerk Kaylee Crites, Esq, 32338-34 Attorney, Indiana Department of Child Services 403 S. Cass St. Wabash, IN 46992 FAX: 317-232-1566 Office: 574-722-3677 HSPAXLP.02/02,02/09,02/16/2022

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STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF WABASH) SS IN THE WABASH CIRCUIT COURT CAUSE NUMBER: 85C01-2201-JT-000003 IN THE MATTER OF THE TERMINATION OF THE PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP: PE - DOB 3/20/2020 AND

AMANDA NELSON-ELLIS (MOTHER) CHRISTIAN ROBERTSON (ALLEGED FATHER) AND ANY UNKNOWN ALLEGED FATHERS SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION & NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS HEARING TO: Any Unknown Alleged Father Whereabouts unknown

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to Any Unknown Alleged Fathers, whose whereabouts are unknown, that the Indiana Department of Child Services has filed a Petition for Involuntary Termination of your Parental Rights, and that an adjudication hearing has been

scheduled with the Court.
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Judge of the Wabash Circuit Court, 49 West Hill Street, Wabash, IN 46992 260-563-0661 for a(n) Fact Finding Hearing on 3/30/2022 at 9:00 AM and to answer the Petition for Termination of your Parental Rights of

You are further notified that if the allegations in said petition are true, and/or if you fail to appear at the hearing, the Juvenile Court may terminate your parent-child relationship; and if the Court terminates your parent-child relationship you will lose all parental rights, powers, privileges, immunities, duties and obligations including any rights to custody, control, visitation, or support in said child; and if the Court terminates your parent-child relationship, it will be permanently terminated, and thereafter you may not contest an adoption or other placement of said child.

You are entitled to representation by an attorney, provided by the State if applicable, throughout these proceedings to terminate the

parent-child relationship.
YOU MUST RESPOND by appearing in person or by an attorney within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice, and in the event you fail to do so, adjudication on said petition and termination of your parental rights may be entered against you, in your absence, without further notice.

/s/ Lori Draper Clerk Kaylee Crites, Esq, 32338-34 Attorney, Indiana Department of Child Services 403 S. Cass St. Wabash, IN 46992

FAX: 317-232-1566 Office: 574-722-3677 HSPAXLP.02/02,02/09,02/16/2022

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NOTICE OF REAL PROPERTY COMMISSIONERS' CERTIFICATE SALE Wabash County Indiana
Beginning 10:00 AM Local Time,
April 12, 2022
Courthouse - Commissioners' Room 2nd Floor

STATE OF INDIANA

Wabash County

Pursuant to the laws of the Indiana General Assembly and by resolution of the Wabash County Commissioners, notice is hereby given that the following described tracts or items of real property are listed for sale for delinquent taxes and/or special assessments.

The minimum sale prices listed below are less than the minimum sale prices when offered in the immediately preceding county tax sale held under Section 5 of IC 6-1.1-24 and include all fees and expenses of the county directly attributable to the Commissioners' Certificate Sale. The Wabash County Commissioners will accept bids for the certificates of sale, for the price referred to in IC 6-1.1-24-6.1(a)(3), by public auction on April 12, 2022 at 10:00 AM Courthouse Time by public auction of April 12, 2022 at 10:00 Aim Courthouse Time at Courthouse - Commissioners' Room 2nd Floor. At the discretion of local officials, the sale may switch to an online format. If those measures are taking place, the public auction will be conducted as an electronic sale under IC 6-1.1-24-6.3(c) at www.zeusauction. com commencing on the same date / time listed above. All location updates will be posted at www.sriservices.com prior to the sale.

Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-24-5.1, a business entity that seeks to register to bid in an Indiana Commissioners' Certificate Sale must provide to the county treasurer, a Certificate of Existence or Foreign Registration Statement in accordance with IC 5-23 from the Secretary of State.

Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-24-3(e), property descriptions may be omitted for properties appearing on the certified list in consecutive years. A complete property list may be obtained at www.sriservices.com or in an alternative form upon request.

A person redeeming each tract or item of real property after the sale of the certificate must pay: (A) the amount of the minimum bid under Section 5 of IC 6-1.1-24 for which the tract or item of real property was last offered for sale; (B) ten percent (10%) of the amount for which the certificate is sold; (C) the attorney's fees and costs of giving notice under IC 6-1.1-25-4.5; (D) the costs of a title search or of examining and updating the abstract of title for the tract or item of real property; (E) all taxes and special assessments on the tract or item of real property paid by the purchaser after the sale of the certificate plus interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum on the amount of taxes and special assessments paid by the purchaser on the redeemed property; and (F), all costs of sale, advertising costs, and other expenses of the county directly attributable to the sale of the certificate.

If the certificate is sold for an amount more than the minimum bid under Section 5 of IC 6-1.1-24 for which the tract or item of real property was last offered for sale and the property is not redeemed, the owner of record of the tract or item of real property who is divested of ownership at the time the tax deed is issued may have a right to the tax sale surplus.

Indiana law prohibits a person who owes delinquent taxes, special assessments, penalties, interest, or costs directly attributable to a prior tax sale, from purchasing tracts or items of real property at a tax sale. Prior to bidding at a tax sale, each bidder must affirm under the penalties for perjury that he or she does not owe delinquent taxes, special assessments, penalties, interest, costs directly attributable to a prior tax sale, amounts from a final adjudication in favor of a political subdivision in this county, any civil penalties imposed for the violation of a building code or ordinance of this county, or any civil penalties imposed by a health department in this county. Further, each bidder must acknowledge that any successful bid made in violation of the above statement is subject to forfeiture. In the event of forfeiture, the bid amount shall be applied to the delinquent taxes, special assessments, penalties, interest, costs, judgments, or civil penalties of the ineligible bidder, and a certificate will be issued to the county executive.

The Commissioners specifically reserve the right to withhold from the sale any parcel which has been listed in error, or which otherwise becomes ineligible for sale either prior to the start or during the duration of the auction. The Auditor's Office does not warrant the accuracy of the key numbers or street addresses published herein and any misstatement in the key number or street address does not invalidate an otherwise valid sale.

Dated: 02/16/2022

852100004 85-07-21-202-007.000-001 \$200.00 FRANCIS DAVID A FAUST 1ST (SERVIA) LOT 16 55 S MULBERRY ST LOT 1 SERVIA 46980

852100006 85-07-21-202-036.000-001 \$200.00 FRANCIS DAVID A FAUSTS 1ST (SERVIA) LOT 7 & N1/2 LOT 8 170 S MAIN ST SERVIA 46980

852100010 85-11-06-304-002.000-003 \$200.00 MOSER DAVID B & MARY L SPEICHERS 3RD (URBANA) LOTS 47 & 48 170 N FIRST ST

852100011 85-11-06-304-011.000-003 \$200.00 SHELTON CHRIS M SPEICHERS 3RD (URBANA) LOTS 38 & 39 171 N 1ST ST URBANA

852100013 85-11-07-101-037.000-003 \$200.00 PRICKETT MARY L SPEICHERS 2ND (URBANA) LOT 19 COLLEGE ST URBANA 46990

852100017 85-11-34-104-036.000-004 \$200.00 SMITH RAY ENGLISH ADDN OF BRADYS S1/2 LOT 42 220 BENTON ST LAGRO

 $852100020\ 85\text{-}11\text{-}34\text{-}202\text{-}090.000\text{-}004\ \$165.92\ OWEN\ ROBERT\ \&\ LINDA\ OP\ EXC\ PT\ OWNED\ BY\ RR\ LOT\ 235\ OLD\ STATE\ ROAD\ 24$ LAGRO 46941

852100023 85-19-27-203-075.000-006 \$200.00 BULLARD RANDALL F PARKERS 2ND LOT 1 204 W KENDALL ST LA FONTAINE 46940 852100026 85-19-27-401-144.000-006 \$200.00 GILBERT THELMA

MCKELVEY & JACKSONS PT 22X280 27-26-7 .18AC WALNUT ST LA FONTAINE 46940 852100028 85-13-13-301-019.000-007 \$200.00 HILEMAN LAURA

M KELLERS (RICHVALLEY) 12 75 W WALNUT ST RICHV WABASH 85-14-11-201-070.000-009 \$200.00

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FINANCIAL MIDWEST LAND TRUST SPRING GARDEN LOT 6 758 N SPRING ST WARASH 46992

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852100037 85-14-11-402-116.000-009 \$200.00 LEACH DONALD L PT SW1/4 N RIVER 11-27-6 .04AC 693 CALHOUN ST WABASH 46992 852100038 85-14-11-404-026,000-009 \$200.00 DMI CONSULTING

HANNAS EASTERN W1/2 LOT 108 & 23X132 LOT 107 453 E MAIN ST WABASH 46992 852100039 85-14-12-131-019.000-009 \$200.00 KISLA TERRY PT

852100042 85-14-40-114-016.000-009 \$200.00 TYSON JUNIOR LEE & BARBARA A ELDORADO COMMON AREA LOT 15 (.26AC)

NW1/4 12-27-6 .45AC 782 E HILL ST WABASH 46992

ELDORADO DR WABASH 46992 852100043 85-14-40-203-069.000-009 \$200.00 MC CORD JERRY

& PEGGY PHILIP HIPSKIND LOT 11 331 ALENA ST WABASH 46992 852100044 85-14-40-234-024.000-009 \$200.00 EBERLY BRAD M & APRIL M STURGIS PT W PT LOT 8 FALLS AVE WABASH 46992

85-14-40-302-027.000-009 \$200.00 RICHARD A E & H SUB CHAS SEC 15-27-6 .08AC MILL ST WABASH

852100048 85-14-40-302-028.000-009 \$200.00 RICHARD A PT CHARLIE RES 15-27-6 .085AC MILL ST WABASH

852100049 85-14-40-402-022.000-009 \$200.00 536 WEST RAILROAD STREET LAND TRUST E & H E1/2 S PT OLOT 17 536 W

RAILROAD ST WABASH 46992 852100054 85-14-58-101-020.000-009 \$200.00 ANDERSON RHETT

AXEL-DEAN BENT & HUTCHENS LOT 52 BENT ST WABASH 46992

852100057 85-14-63-204-013.000-009 \$200.00 DMI CONSULTING INC J S PIKES LOT 14 1326 ADAMS ST WABASH 46992

852100059 85-09-01-101-068.000-011 \$200.00 U S RAILROAD VEST CORP HALDERMANS 1 CHIPPEWA RD ROANN 46974

852100060 85-09-02-201-011.000-011 \$200.00 U S RAILROAD

VEST CORP PT NE1/4 2-28-5 .138557Ac W ADAMS ST ROANN

852100062 85-01-35-401-010.000-012 \$200.00 FEATHERS LILLIE MAY TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 2 LOT 7 BLK 5 CRAPPIE RD SILVER

852100063 85-01-35-401-018.000-012 \$200.00 ROBERTS PATRICIA M TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 2 LOT 3 BLK 5 CRAPPIE RD SILVER LAKE

852100067 85-01-35-401-031.000-012 \$200.00 ROBERTS PATRICIA M_TWIN_LAKES EST UNIT 2 LOT 16 BLK 4 CRAPPIE DR SILVER

LAKE 46982

852100068 85-01-35-401-033.000-012 \$200.00 ROUSCH JOSEPH P. & JOSEPH L TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 2 LOT 17 BLK 4 CRAPPIE RD SILVER LAKE 46982

852100069 85-01-35-401-034.000-012 \$200.00 MUSIC ANNA E & IRENE S GOODMAN TWIN LAKES UNIT 2 LOTS 5 & 6 BLK 4 BLUEGILL RD SILVER LAKE 46982

852100070 85-01-35-401-035.000-012 \$200.00 ROUSCH JOSEPH P & JOSEPH L TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 2 18/4 CRAPPIE RD SILVER LAKE 46982

852100073 85-01-35-401-045.000-012 \$200.00 MIKELL BETTY LOU TWIN LAKE EST UNIT 2 LOT 13 BLK 3 MINNOW DR SILVER LAKE

852100075 85-01-35-401-049.000-012 \$200.00 MAPLES JAMES BLAIN & EFFIE MAE TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 2 LOT 14 BLK 3

BLUEGILL RD SILVER LAKE 46982 852100077 85-01-35-401-051.000-012 \$200.00 MAYES PAUL TWIN

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852100080 85-01-35-401-063.000-012 \$200.00 HOLT WILLARD &

SARAH TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 2 22/3 TURTLE DR SILVER LAKE 852100081 85-01-35-401-064.000-012 \$200.00 HOLT WILLARD &

SARAH TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 2 21/3 TURTLE DR SILVER LAKE 852100082 85-01-35-401-065.000-012 \$200.00 HUDSON CARL

TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 2 LOT 2 BLK 3 TURTLE DR SILVER LAKE

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852100084 85-01-35-403-042.000-012 \$200.00 STANTON DANIEL C SR TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 1 11/6 TURTLE RD SILVER LAKE 46982

852100085 85-01-35-403-047.000-012 \$200.00 MOREHEAD STEVEN MICHAEL TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 1 LOT 14 BLK 6 **BLUEGILL RD SILVER LAKE 46982**

85-01-35-403-049.000-012 \$200.00 MOREHEAD 852100086 STEVEN MICHAEL TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 1 LOT 15 BLK 6 BLUEGILL RD SILVER LAKE 46982

852100087 85-01-35-403-050.000-012 \$200.00 MOREHEAD STEVEN MICHAEL TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 1 LOT 6 BLK 6 BASS RD SILVER LAKE 46982

85-01-35-403-052.000-012 \$200.00 MOREHEAD 852100088 STEVEN MICHAEL TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 1 LOT 5 BLK 6 BASS RD SILVER LAKE 46982

85-01-35-403-054.000-012 \$200.00 MOREHEAD STEVEN MICHAEL TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 1 LOT 4 BLK 6 BASS RD SILVER LAKE 46982

852100090 85-01-35-403-077.000-012 \$200.00 YOUNG JACQUELYN M & FRED A SR TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 1 20/4 PIKE

RD SILVER LAKE 46982

852100092 85-01-35-403-097.000-012 \$200.00 SPRANCMANIS VILMARS TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 1 LOT 23 BLK 9 LUKENS LAKE **RD SILVER LAKE 46982**

852100093 85-01-35-403-098.000-012 \$200.00 SPRANCMANIS VILMARS TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 1 LOT 6 BLK 9 CRAPPIE RD SILVER LAKE 46982

85-01-35-403-194.000-012 \$200.00 MOREHEAD 852100094 STEVEN MICHAEL TWIN LAKES EST UNIT 1 LOT 18 BLK 2

Total Number of Properties: 49

LAKESHORE DR SILVER LAKE 46982

I hereby certify that the above real properties have been offered in one tax sale, have not received a bid for at least the amount required under I.C. 6-1.1-24-5 and have been identified in a resolution of the Board of Commissioners for Wabash County, Indiana, to be offered

Marcie J. Shepherd, Auditor, Wabash County Indiana.

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Husband of three decades still supports first wife

DEAR ABBY: I have been with my husband for more than 30 years. We have no kids together, but he has three adult children from a previous marriage.

All of them are in their 30s. He and his ex had a bad breakup, and she has never given up on him coming back to her.



In my opinion, he has strung her along. He buys her the moon and pretends our marriage doesn't exist for the "sake of seeing the kids." We used to be close, but since the pandemic I have learned he has been going to "their house" every day before he goes to work. He pays her mortgage and does everything there for her. I pay our house bills because he needs to "support her and the kids.'

They have grown super close now, and recently had a grandchild. He is too involved with her. He takes her everywhere she wants, and when I get upset or angry, he tells me I'm a selfish, childless b-word and if I had kids I would understand.

I love him, but I have reached the point where I have no self-esteem. I have asked him more than once why he doesn't go back to her. He tells me I am insecure and paranoid. Abby, I am a smart, successful woman, but I am afraid to give up what we had. I am also afraid of being alone. Am I overreacting about his closeness with her? What do I do? – Beaten Down And Fed Up

DEAR BEATEN DOWN: The man you married is emotionally abusive, selfish and dishonest. I don't know how long this scenario has been playing out, but it's as though he never really divorced his first wife. Has he been "visiting the kids" all this time, or did it start when the COVID quarantines began?

Start NOW to rebuild your sense of self-esteem talking with a licensed mental health professional. Once you are stronger you will be in a better position to decide what you want to do. If you reread your letter, you will notice a glaring omission. Not once did you mention anything positive he does for YOU. There are worse things than being alone, and what you have described is close to it.

DEAR ABBY: Our 14-yearold granddaughter came out as a boy four months ago. The situation has been terrifying because he had thought about suicide. He was hospitalized and now sees a therapist and psychologist and is taking anxiety meds.

This has been a trying time for us as well. I love my grandchild but I'm having a very hard time with this. So is my husband. I don't know how to tell my sisters and their husbands about this. One set is pretty understanding; the other set is extremely right-wing and over-the-top conservative. We want to accept our grandchild as who he is identifying as, but we are still bewildered. Thank you for any suggestions you might have for us. – Thrown In Texas

DEAR THROWN: I don't think you should rush to share this news with your sisters and their husbands. The announcement should come from your grandchild when he is ready. As to how you and your husband should "handle" it, the organization PFLAG has recently come out with a free publication "Supporting Your titled, LGBTQ+ Grandchild." It's a quick and easy read, and you may find the information it contains helpful. Find it at pflag.org or by calling 202-

467-8180. Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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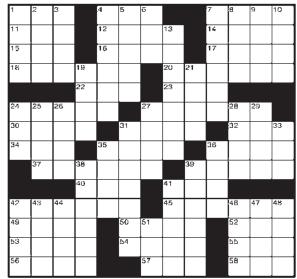
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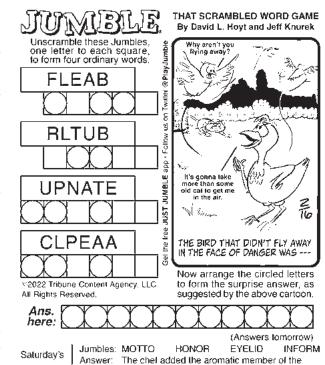
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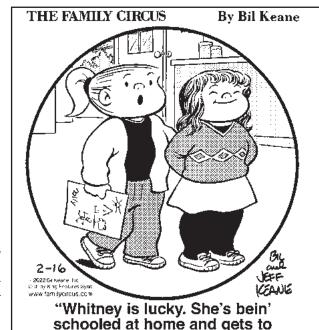
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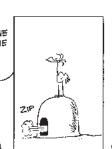


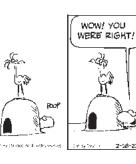
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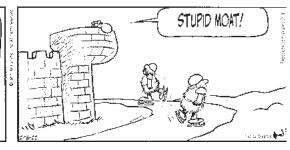
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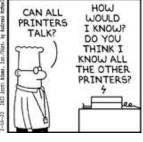




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PICKLES









Only the way of the cross leads home

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: Why do many Christians claim that their religion is the only way? Does Jesus really demand

that people be Billy narrow-mind-Graham ed and intol-My Answer erant? - N.W. A: Jesus said,

"Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to de-

struction... narrow is the gate... which leads to life" (Matthew 7:13-14). To follow the narrow way is to follow the way of the cross of Christ.

It is unimaginable that anyone would want to board an airplane knowing the pilot would be tolerant of anything that could bring disaster to the passengers. Just one single error by a pilot going through a storm – one flash

of broad mindedness - could

cause the death of hundreds.

Once on a flight from Korea to Japan, a plane flew through a rough snowstorm. The visibility was nearly zero as the plane approached the runway. The pilot had to make an instrument landing. A controller in the tower talked the pilot in safely and the crew and passengers were glad the pilot and controller hadn't been broad-minded.

to end on Earth, each person should want to know that they've followed the narrow way – the only way to be welcomed into Heaven by

When it comes time for life

following Jesus Christ. Jesus left the glory of Heaven, took on Himself the form of man, and died a shameful death on a cruel cross to purchase our redemption. With the love that was His, He could not be broad-minded about a world held captive by sin. He could not be intolerant about man's indifference toward Him. Jesus said, "He who is not with Me is against Me" (Matthew 12:30). The broad, wide, easy, popular way leads to death and destruction. Only the way of the cross leads home.

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by Luis Campos

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1 Corinthians 11:32

It's time to pivot and figure out what's next after ethanol

What one word do other Americans associate the most with 21st-century Iowa? The possible answers certainly include "ethanol."

The biofuels research and production boom that took off in the 2000s was transformational for Iowa's agricultural economy. Iowans could rightfully take pride in the farmers, agribusiness people, scientists and investors who built a homegrown industry that lessened the nation's reliance on foreign oil.

Ethanol wasn't a new idea, but large-scale use of corn for a domestically made gasoline blend meant huge new markets for crops and potential benefits for the environment. It also catalyzed hopes that research could produce even bigger things, such as cellulosic-ethanol production methods that could use plants grown on land not suitable for food production.

The largest ambitions haven't been achieved, however, and biofuels' warts have become only more prominent. That is hardly a revelation – scientists and other experts have pointed for years to such problems as overproduction's devastating cost to water quality and the industry's inability to wean itself from tax credits and other artificial incentives.

And now, it's difficult to credibly dispute that electric vehicles are the "next big thing."

But neither of the main political parties in Iowa is acting on that message. Rather than using the state's pocketbook and policies to push for ideas on what should come next for the state's farmland and biofuels workforce, Dem-

ocrats and Republicans seem poised to make the first bill they send to Gov. Kim Reynolds this year a measure promoting biodiesel and requiring gas stations to install pumps that can dispense higher blends of ethanol.

Perhaps a case could be made that interfering in retailers' market choices is worth the expense to help support farmers and producers during a transition away from an economy so reliant on biofuels. But that certainly wasn't the message lawmakers delivered on the House floor and in the Senate Agriculture Committee this past week.

"House Democrats support renewable fuels, we always have, we always will, and we absolutely support Iowa's ethanol industry," said Rep. Mary Wolfe, D-Clinton.

Rep. Dave Jacoby, D-Coralville, thanked President Joe Biden "for his commitment to renewable fuels." Observers of Iowa's presidential caucuses could be forgiven for concluding that ethanol is the only issue on which voters vet candidates.

"This bill is about doing what Iowans do, and that's supporting Iowans," said Sen. Dan Zumbach, R-Ryan. "It helps make corn and soybeans worth more dollars."

"This suburban legislator is also proud to stand with Iowa farmers," said Rep. Jennifer Konfrst, D-Windsor Heights.

Ten representatives voted against House File 2128, seven Republicans and three Democrats. The Senate committee moved the bill forward without dissent.

Instead of tossing more eggs

into the biofuels basket – including both this bill and the wrongheaded proposals to crisscross carbon pipelines all over the state – Iowa and its leaders would be better served to figure out what comes after ethanol.

The state won't be able to use its own laws and influence in Congress to perpetuate the "need" for biofuels forever. We have to find another way.

Reynolds tweeted Thursday that Biden "is again pouring taxpayer dollars into EV charging stations while ignoring a readily-available renewable energy source grown here in IA. This is why we need increased access to E15."

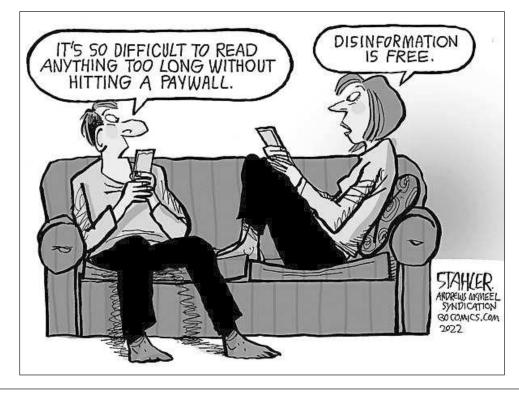
In 2007, we would have applauded her. In 2022, this sentiment is myopic. We need to pivot and, at the very least, talk about when and how to rip off the Band-Aid.

Numerous hard questions need answers. What can soften the blow of a seemingly inevitable reduction in demand for corn and soybeans? How can monocultured farmland be restored to greater soil health? How can we avoid falling into "greenwashing" traps and prioritize real environmental benefits over profit-making?

We're confident Iowa's farmers, agribusiness people, scientists and investors can think, work, experiment and innovate their way to finding the answers.

But Iowans cannot afford for their elected officials to avoid those questions in favor of propping up bottom lines until the bottom falls out.

This editorial was first published in the Des Moines Register.



The 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion: A lasting legacy

During the first World War Ralph Lindsey, my great-grandfather, kept a journal of his service on the front. He wrote about the front, his travels,

Joseph Reagan



his wounds, but the thing that came up most often – the mail. Fast-forward 100 years. Even in the digital age, there is something uniquely personal about a written letter – it creates a connection that

digital communications simply cannot match. Anyone who has served in the military knows – no mail equals low morale.

mail equals low morale.

In early 1945 as the Battle of the Bulge concluded Army officials reported that a lack of mail was hurting morale. Warehouses were filled with millions of pieces of mail destined for the seven million Americans serving in the European theatre. The task of getting that mail to its intended recipients fell on the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion.

Except for a few smaller units of nurses, the "Six Triple Eight" was the only, all-Black unit from the Women's Army Corps to serve overseas during World War II. In response to the attack on Pearl Harbor, our entire nation was mobilized to support the war efforts. While the war largely united Americans in a common purpose – the military remained segregated with the ability to serve being restricted based on race and gender. The women of the 6888th

not only served - they had to

fight for their right to serve. The unit's commander, Major Charity Adams – became the first Black woman to hold a commission in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps.

The Six Triple Eight confronted warehouses stacked to the ceiling with letters and packages. These buildings were unheated and dimly lit, the windows blacked out to prevent light showing during nighttime air raids. Rats sought out packages of spoiled cakes and cookies. As it was a cold winter, they wore long johns and extra layers of clothing under their coats while working in these warehouses. The unit members were organized into three separate shifts daily, so work continued around the clock, seven days a week. They tracked individual service members by maintaining about seven million locator cards including serial numbers to distinguish different individuals with the same name. They dealt with "undeliverable" mail which was sent to their location for redirection. They investigated insufficiently addressed mail for clues to determine the intended recipient, and they handled the sad duty of

returning mail addressed to service members who had died.

As the war concluded the legacy of the 6888th was already being formed. Three members of the 6888th are buried at Colleville-Sur-Mer Normandy American Cemetery (there are only four women buried there). Like so many of the greatest generation, the women of the 6888th

returned from the war determined

to make up for lost time - while

some remained in the military, others used the GI Bill to further their education and create new opportunities for themselves.

They became teachers, nurses, and businesswomen. One of the most important aspects of their legacy was their contributions to civil rights. The accomplishments of the 6888th in Europe contributed to a study regarding the contributions of women to the war efforts which concluded: "[T]he national security program is the joint responsibility of all Americans irrespective of color or sex" and "the continued use of colored, along with white, female military personnel is required in such strength as is proportionately appropriate to the relative population distribution between colored and white races.'

and white races."

This is not a story about the mail. This is a story about 855 black women, who found a way to serve when the nation needed them most. In 2019 a bi-partisan effort was started to award the Congressional Gold Medal to the 6888th. As of the writing of this article that bill has passed the Senate and is awaiting a vote in the U.S. House of representatives.

Joseph Reagan is the Director of Military and Veterans Outreach for Wreaths Across America. He has almost 20 years of experience working with leaders within government, nonprofit and Fortune 500 companies to develop sustainable strategies supporting National Security and Veterans Health. He served 8 years on active duty as an officer in the U.S. Army including two tours to Afghanistan with the 10th Mountain Division. He is a graduate of Norwich University, the oldest private military college in the country.

Patients, healthcare workers should not pay price of hospital cost-cutting

By MERCY HYLTON

While I agree that Indiana's healthcare costs are outrageously and unjustifiably high compared to most of the nation, allowing healthcare corporations to determine their cost reduction strategies will ultimately decrease patient access to high-quality care. To protect profits, healthcare corporations will focus on labor costs, slashing employee salaries that are already lower than national averages, and cutting more corners on already inadequate staffing ratios.

The Indiana General Assembly must protect access to high quality, cost-effective healthcare for all Hoosiers by instead enacting the following measures:

- Fair Competition: Revisit anti-trust regulations for Indiana's large health systems and enforce price transparency laws. Ban non-compete clauses in physician employment contracts. Deregulate insurance rules to allow patients to choose high-quality physicians practicing in non-traditional cash-based direct care models. Incentivize physician-owned small business start-ups which provide essential services, care for underserved populations, or provide unique value to the community.
- Resource Stewardship: Scrutinize non-inflated, true market values of the "community benefits" claimed by "non-profit" health systems to justify their tax-exempt statuses. Reinstate "certificates of need" for large health system facilities in Indiana. Ensure unbiased and incorruptible regulation of profitable trauma center designations based on true community needs. Require state-subsidized medical and nursing schools to enact measures to retain graduates in areas of community need (rural medicine, bedside nursing, etc.)
- The Integrity of Professions: Define the practice of medicine distinctly from the practice of healthcare as performed by non-physician practitioners. Require truth and transparency in healthcare practitioner identification and advertising to prevent misappropriation, equivocation and obfuscation of credentials. Strengthen regulations to prohibit the unlicensed practice of medicine including the "Corporate Practice of Medicine" by removing exceptions for hospitals, health systems, medical service organizations (MSOs), and contract management groups (CMGs) to prevent corporate control via nominal medical leadership over employed and contracted physicians. Regulate safe minimum bedside nurse to patient ratios for different levels of care.

■ Value from Insurers: Ban in and out of insurance network distinctions for acute care services for which patients may not have a choice of when, where or by whom they receive care (ER, unplanned hospitalization, etc.) Limit Prior Authorizations requirements for physicians to truly experimental tests or treatments. Limit ordering of specialist referrals, expensive tests, and expensive treatments (e.g., non-insulin biologics) to licensed physicians only. Savings from PBMs should be passed on to consumers.

Mr. Hubbard, Mr. Blase and their organization, Hoosiers for Affordable Healthcare, are commendable advocates for Indiana businesses that are paying unfairly high health insurance premiums. But we need our legislators to also advocate for patients and healthcare workers. Hoosiers deserve access to high-quality care, competition in the marketplace, protection of public resources, preservation of the healthcare workforce, and the autonomy of the medical profession. If such protections are not established and enforced then Hoosier patients, the chronically demoralized healthcare workforce and the entire state will face unintended, though predictable, negative consequences.

Mercy Hylton, MD, MBA, is a pediatric emergency physician and a member of Physicians for Patient Protection.

HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 16, the 47th day of 2022. There are 318 days left in the year. **Highlight in history:**

On Feb. 16, 1959, Fidel Castro became premier of Cuba a month and a-half after the overthrow of Fulgencio Batista.

On this date:

In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Fort Donelson in Tennessee ended as some 12,000 Confederate soldiers surrendered; Union Gen. Ulysses S. Grant's victory earned him the moniker "Unconditional Surrender Grant."

In 1918, Lithuania proclaimed its independence from the Russian Empire. (Lithuania, which was occupied by the Soviet Union, then Nazi Germany, then the Soviet Union again during World War II, renewed its independence in 1990).

In 1923, the burial chamber of King Tutankhamen's recently unearthed tomb was unsealed in Egypt by English archaeologist Howard Carter.

Howard Carter.
In 1945, American troops landed on the island of Corregidor in the Philippines during World War II.

Today's Birthdays: Actor LeVar Burton is 65. International Tennis Hall of Famer John McEnroe is 63. Actor Mahershala Ali is 48. Actor Elizabeth Olsen is 33.

Sports





Southwood's Jason Oprisek looks for room to move in the first half of the Knights 47-46 loss at Madison-Grant Saturday evening. Oprisek scored 13 points and pulled down eight rebounds to lead Southwood.

Madison-Grant boys basketball edges Knights in defensive battle

Five points was the largest separation for entire game

By SCOTT HUNT

Chronicle-Tribune Sports Editor

FAIRMOUNT — Though the IHSAA's annual boys state basketball tournament is still a couple of weeks away, Southwood and Madison-Grant played an intense, tournament-style affair Saturday evening.

The defense was the order of the game as both teams spent the entire 32 minutes applying full-court pressure and making things tough for each other in the half-court. Five points were

had the final say in their 47-46 win.

of free throws with 3:17 remaining to give Southwood a 44-42 lead, but until Derrick Smith's rebound bucket you want when you play a non-conjust before the final buzzer after Isaiah Sutton's potential game-tying 3-pointer came up just short.

3-pointer that gave M-G a one-point advantage with 2:22 remaining and Seth Lugar scored from in the lane about a minute later put the Argylls on top 47-44 setting up the dramatic ending.

"To come in here and play at this level, we played it like a tournament game. We kind of had to shrink our bench a little bit," said Southwood coach John Burrus. " ... We just ran out of time. That was one of those games where both teams battled hard for possessions. We're going out of here on the scoreboard losing, but we know we gained a lot tonight.

But it was the Argylls' defense that sectional," he added. "Madison-Grant intermission. is a team that's going to have to be Cole Winer knocked down a pair reckoned with just like we are. This overs in the first half and the Argylls was a good game for both teams. We gave them some trouble and they gave ference, Saturday night game late in the season."

Madison-Grant scored the first three

Peyton Southerland swished home a points in the opening two minutes of the game, but the Argylls struggled to find passing or driving lanes against the Knights' zone and went nearly the next seven minutes without a point.

> Southwood scored its first six points in about 90 seconds midway through the first quarter but had a hard time finding good shots against M-G's aggressive man-to-man.

> The Argylls made just 1-of-7 shots in the first quarter while the Knights made only 3-of-14 and led 6-3 after

Southwood twice extended to a fivepoint lead in the second quarter, the last time at 14-9, before the Argylls "Defense will win out a lot this late in finished the half with a 14-5 run over the largest separation throughout the the season. You're kind of laying it all the last 5:30, which included forcing out there. You want to be ready for the five turnovers, to take a 23-19 lead to

> The Knights had 10 of their 19 turncommitted nine of their 14.

'We started to recognize what the the Argylls held the Knights scoreless us some trouble. That's kind of what zone was giving us and where we could attack the zone," said M-G coach Josh Hendrixson. "It took us a

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Before the start of Saturday's game, Manchester women's basketball honored its senior class.

Spartans honors senior class on Saturday

Manchester dropped an 84-68 HCAC matchup to visiting Hanover College

By DILLON BENDER

The Manchester University women's basketball team dropped an 84-68 Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC) matchup to visiting Hanover College inside of Stauffer-Wolfe Arena on Saturday, Feb. 12.

Before the start of Saturday's game, Manchester honored its senior class of Bridget Nash, Miranda Bieghler, Abby Walker, Macy Miller, Hillery Shepherd and student-manager Sarah

After keeping pace with Hanover through the first 10 minutes of play,

and Gold 21-14 and 29-18 in the second and third quarters, respectively.

Manchester shot 8-18 from the floor and 3-6 from beyond the three-point arc in the opening period to keep pace with the Panthers.

The Panthers' speed and length propelled them to a victory on Saturday afternoon. Hanover outrebounded the Black and Gold 50-33. 24 of their rebounds were offensive and HC scored 21 second-chance points. Hanover also able to convert 15 Spartan turnovers into 23 points. Forty of Hanover's 84 points were scored in the

Grace Bezold led Hanover with 33 points on the strength of 15-20 shooting. Katherine Benter added 18 points

while Taylor Heath scored 15 points. Manchester was led by Macy Millthe visiting Panthers grabbed a com- er's, from Huntertown and Carroll

fortable lead after outscoring the Black High School, season-high 22 points and eight rebounds. Bridget Nash, from Carmel and Bishop Chatard High School, added 11 points, while Hillery Shepherd, from Middletown and Shenandoah High School, scored 10 points. Abby Walker, from Oswego, Illinois, and Cloverdale High School, scored a season-high 11 points on Saturday. Miranda Bieghler, from Plainfield and South Putnam High School, led the Black and Gold with six assists. The Spartans (7-13, 4-9 HCAC)

hosted Bluffton University on Tuesday, Feb. 15 in the team's regular-season home finale.

Hanover (12-8. 9-6 HCAC) won for the fourth straight outing. The Panthers traveled to nationally-ranked Transylvania University on Tuesday,

Feb. 15. Dillon Bender is the sports information direc-

tor for Manchester University.

Spartans fall 70-58 to league-leading Panthers on Saturday

Hanover used a decisive 21-11 run late in the second half to distance itself

By DILLON BENDER

The Manchester University men's basketball team dropped a 70-58 decision to the league-leading Hanover College Panthers inside of Stauffer-Wolfe Arena on Saturday, Feb. 12.

After battling the Panthers close for most of the game, Hanover used a decisive 21-11 run late in the second half uted a double-double of 13 to distance itself from the Spartans.

Manchester was held to 39.3 percent (22-56) shooting from the floor. The Panthers' defense also held the 15 for its regular-season Spartans to just 25 percent (6-24) shooting from threepoint territory.

Brandon Christlieb, from Ashley and Prairie Heights High School, was one of double figures on Saturday. on Tuesday, Feb. 15. Christlieb scored 16 points. Ty Lynas, from Crawfordsville, added 15 points, while University.

Quentez Columbus, from South Bend and Adams High School, scored 10 points and hauled in eight rebounds.

The Panthers shot 45.5 percent (25-55) from the field in Saturday's contest. Hanover shot 15-20 from the freethrow line - good for 75 percent. HC also out-rebounded the Spartans 40-30.

Ty Houston led the visitors with a double-double of 20 points and 14 rebounds. Isaac Hibbard added 15 points and six assists, while, Max Greenamoyer chipped in 14 points. Jack Wininger gave the Panthers a big boost off the bench, as he contribpoints and 10 boards in 25 minutes of action.

Manchester (8-14, HCAC) traveled to Bluffton University on Tuesday, Feb. road finale.

Hanover (18-3,HCAC) maintained the best record in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC). The Panthers hostthree Spartans to score in ed Transylvania University

Dillon Bender is the sports information director for Manchester

Three Spartan wrestlers place at Mid-States on Saturday

Manchester is scheduled to wrestle again on Wednesday at Defiance College

By DILLON BENDER

The Manchester University wrestling team had a trio of grapplers place on Saturday afternoon at the Mid-States Invitational hosted by Ohio Northern University.

Devontay Moore, from Indianapolis and North Central High School, led the Spartans with a fourth-place finish in the 184-pound weight class. Moore opened his day by pinning Wabash's Trescott Duffy just 28 seconds into the bout. After dropping his next matchup, Moore rebounded with another

pin, this time against Ohio Northern's Zac Dabney. Moore went 2-2 on Saturday. Josh Lee, from Wyandotte, Michigan, and Riverview Community High School, added a sixth-place finish for the Black and Gold at 174-pounds. Josh Stephenson, from Yorktown, also placed sixth on Saturday. Stephenson opened his day with a pin of Alma's Nicho-

The Spartans scored 38 team points on Saturday afternoon.

las Dawson.

Manchester is scheduled to wrestle again on Wednesday, Feb. 16 at Defiance College. The Spartans will face both the Defiance Yellow Jackets and the Mt. St. Joseph Lions beginning at 5 p.m.

Dillon Bender is the sports information director for Manchester University.

Two more Manchester indoor track and field records were broken at DePauw

Spartans will now prepare for the HCAC Indoor Championships on Saturday, Feb. 19

By DILLON BENDER

In the teams' final tune-up ahead of next week's Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC) Indoor Track & Field Championships, the Manchester University indoor track and field teams broke two new school records at the DePauw Indoor Invitational on Saturday, Feb. 12.

Enrique Salazar, from Plymouth, set a new school record in the 800m after winning the event with a leading time of 1:56.91. Salazar also broke school records in the 3000m and 5000m events earlier this season.

Quinten Willis, from Ath-

ens, Ga., and Oglethorpe

High School, also broke his record in the 60m hurdles. He bested his mark from earlier this in Saturday's prelims, lowering his time to 8.69 seconds. Willis would finish fifth in the finals. Erica Mohr, from Payne,

Ohio, and Wayne Trace High School, was the only other Spartan to capture an event victory on Saturday. Mohr took home top honors in the weight throw with a top mark of 14.95m.

Other Podium Finishes (Top 3)

Men

■ Thomas Richardson, from Ladoga and Southmont High School, ran to a runner-up finish in the mile, clocking a final time of 4:28.05. His time placed him within the Top 10 at Manchester, placing him eighth all-time.

■ Timothy Macomber,

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HCAC announces preseason poll for baseball; Manchester is 8th

By DILLON BENDER

With winter sports winding down, the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (HCAC) is looking ahead to the spring sports season. On Tuesday, the HCAC announced the results of its out the top half of this year's preseason baseball poll.

Reigning league champion Transylvania University was selected to repeat as league champions after leading the poll with seven first-place votes and 97 points. Ander-

85 points and also received a pair of first-place votes. Franklin College collected the final first-place vote and earned 76 points. Rose-Hulman (71 points) and Hanover (61 points) rounded preseason poll.

Manchester was picked eighth after earning 33 points.

Manchester University skipper Rick Espeset will begin his 26th season at the

son came in second with helm of the Spartan pro- chester's top returning arms Stevens, from Rensselaer tral at 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25 gram. The all-time winnin- this season. The left-hander and Rensselaer Central High to open the year. gest coach in school history, Espeset earned his 600th career coaching victory a season ago. Espeset's current ERA of 4.50. win total stands at 609.

> Three Spartans named "Athletes to Watch" by the league office on Tuesday morning. Seniors Carter Hooks, from Rochester, and Zach White, from and had a save. Logansport, led the way for Manchester.

Hooks will be one of Man-

pitcher struck out 75 batters in 66.0 innings pitched a year ago, while posting an

White hit .310 (44-142) while playing in 40 games last spring. White added 10 doubles and 29 RBI while also scoring 28 times. White also pitched in five games

The third Spartan to be named as an "Athlete to Watch" was junior Aidan

School. Stevens hit .314 last spring before an injury limited him to only 10 appearthe Manchester offense this season.

The 2022 season is schedweekend of Feb. 25. The Spartans will face off against a trio of non-conference opponents in Westfield, Ind. mation director for Manchester MU will take on North Cen-

The opening weekend will conclude with games against Otterbein and Hope on Satances. A healthy Stevens urday, Feb. 26. This seawill provide a big boost to son's schedule also features a trip to Division I Butler on Wednesday, March 2.

HCAC play is scheduled to uled to get underway the begin on Saturday, April 2 with a doubleheader at Hanover.

Dillon Bender is the sports infor-

BASKETBALL

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little longer to do that than what I would have liked. We got the ball in the middle and we started attacking some of those gaps off the dribble."

Madison-Grant also made 8-of-9 from the field in the second quarter, mostly from inside the paint or in transi-

M-G extended its lead to 28-23 just over three minutes into the third quarter, but the Knights used a 10-2 run to go up by three and held a 34-33 lead entering the final quarter.

The lead changed hands twice in the first two minutes of the final eight and the score was tied three times before Southerland's three gave the Argylls the lead for good.

The Argylls had been averaging more than eight threepoint makes per game this season, yet the Knights held the hosts to a season-low four. M-G was also averaging over 61 points per game.

"Madison-Grant, they're a good team. They play extremely hard and they have a lot of good shooters," Burrus said. "We held them to four 3-pointers. I was really happy with our defense tonight. To come in here and hold them to 47 at home, I'm sure they haven't dealt with that a lot, but that's kind of how we're

playing right now. We're pretty hard to score on."

Jase Howell led the Argylls with 14 points, Lugar finished with 12 and Chad Harbert scored 10.

Howell also came up with five steals, after making seven against Alexandria on Friday, to set a new single-season record. He now has 80 for the season and broke the old mark of 76 set by Randy Matthews in the 1984-85 sea-

Jason Oprisek led the Knights with 14 points, Winer added nine while Dylan Stout and Nathan Lehner each chipped in eight.

Hendrixson was particularly pleased with the defensive

Yeagy on Winer, who entered Saturday averaging nearly 17 points a game. It was only the second game all to that kind of workload and season Winer failed to reach double-digit points.

Winer all night long," Hendrixson said. "He didn't give sticking with him. We told day at Lapel. The Argylls com

going to have no-help responsibility on Winer. He's done it before ... he's used he did a great job. "That's what we can hang

"I couldn't be more proud our hat on and that's what of Teagan the way he was on got us the win, our defense return home Saturday to in the half-court." Madison-Grant

Winer much opportunity to goes on the road for its next sports editor, may be reached by breathe. He did a great job of three games starting on Fri- email at shunt@chronicle-tribune.

effort of sophomore Teagan him before the game he was host Pendleton Heights to close the regular season on Feb. 24.

Southwood (8-9) continued a three-game road swing Tuesday at Adams Central and will be visiting Northfield on Friday. The Knights meet Rochester.

Scott Hunt, Chronicle-Tribune

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from Angola, placed third in the shot put with a mark of 13.81m.

Women

- \blacksquare The women's 4-x-400 meter relay team of Brandi Smith, Hilary Ernstes, Antonae Colfield and Adelle Stanko placed second overall after spring to a time of 4:19.46. Their collective time was good enough for fourth on the all-time Man-
- chester Top 10 lists. ■ Kendal Garringer, from Portland and Jay County High School, placed third in the high jump after clearing 1.40m.
- Claire Butler,

South Bend and Adams High School, added a third-place finish in the pole vault after clearing 2.40m.

■ Carley Camp, from Logansport, came home third in the weight throw after a final toss of 13.88m. Her mark was good enough for eighthbest all-time at MU.

Other Top 10 Marks

Men

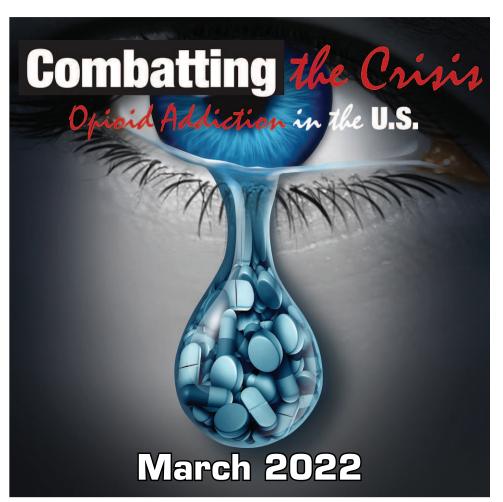
- Tristen Bronaugh, from Crawfordsville, clocked a time of 23.38 in the 200m good enough for sixth-best all-time at Manchester.
- Gabe Melvin, from Jacksonville, Florida, and Atlantic Coast High School, broke into the Top 10 in the 200m after posting a time of from 23.64 on Saturday. His time Defiance College.

was 10th-best all-time.

Women

- Adelle Stanko, from Okemos, Mich., posted a mark of 10.28m in the triple jump. Her mark was a new career-best and still stands fourth all-time at Manchester.
- Carley Camp also broke into the Manchester Top 10 on Saturday - her mark in the shot put of 11.31m was good enough for ninth alltime at MU.

Both sides finished in sixth place on Saturday afternoon. The women scored 68.5 points, while the men scored 64 points. Manchester will now prepare for the HCAC Indoor Championships which are slated to be hosted at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19 at



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